

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0016] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0016] The power supply device for driving may also be structured such that the switching control circuit includes a duty control portion that switches the switching element for the power supply according to a predetermined duty signal. In addition, the output voltage suppression processing unit, which is provided in the duty control portion, carries out control such that the duty ratio of the duty signal becomes smaller when an overvoltage is detected.

Please replace paragraph [0048] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0048] Note that the output terminal t1 and the ground terminal t7 are connected to the U-phase power supply circuit 44, the output terminal t2 and the ground terminal t8 are connected to the V-phase power supply circuit 45, the output terminal t3 and the ground terminal t9 are connected to the W-phase power supply circuit 46, the output terminal t4 and the ground terminal t10 are connected to the X-phase power supply circuit 47, the output terminal t5 and the ground terminal t11 are connected to the Y-phase power supply circuit 48, and the output terminal t6 and the ground terminal t12 are connected to the Z-phase power supply circuit 49. Furthermore, the output terminal ~~t4~~t14 is connected to the interface circuit 36, and the READY signal is output to the drive motor control device 23 through the output terminal t14. The drive motor control device 23 is provided with a connector (not shown in the diagrams). The connector includes an input terminal for receiving the READY signal sent from the power supply circuit portion 21.

Please replace paragraph [0066] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0066] In Step S1, the output voltage becomes high. If the output voltage becomes equal to the overvoltage detection level, in step S2, the overvoltage detection circuit detects the overvoltage and the overvoltage signal SG1 is sent in step S3. Then, in step S4, the duty ratio of the duty signal SD is made smaller and an increase in the output voltage is suppressed

in step 5. In step S6, a judgment is carried out as to whether the output voltage is higher than the overvoltage detection level. If the output voltage is higher than the overvoltage detection level (Y), the process returns to Step S1. If the output voltage is lower than the overvoltage detection level (N), the process ends.